

MARCH 2023

4-H Newsletter

Wild West District #18

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
March			1 Stevens Co. T-Shirt Design Deadline Kansas 4-H Scholarship Apps Due!	2 Haskell Co. YQCA Livestock Judging Meeting	3	4 Stevens Co. Beef Weigh-In
5	6 Seward County Livestock Project Meeting	7 Stevens Co. Rabbits Stevens Co. Cloverbuds Haskell Co. Shooting Sports	8 Stevens Co. Beef Tagging Deadline Haskell Co. Cloverbuds	9	10	11 K-State Jr. Swine Producer Day
12	13 Haskell Co. Horse Meeting Haskell Co. 4-H Council < - - -	14	15	16	17 	18 K-State Jr. Goat Producer Day
SPRING BREAK - - - >						
19 Photography Workshop	20	21 Haskell Co. Shooting Sports	22 Seward Co. Cloverbuds Haskell Co. Rabbit Meeting	23	24	25 Haskell Co. Beef Weigh-In Super Saturday Judging Contest
26 Stevens Co. 12-14 Foods	27	28 Haskell Co. Beef Tagging Deadline	29	30 Stevens Co. Swine Meeting	31	

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2	3	4	5	6	7	1 Seward Co. Beef Weigh-In
8	9 Easter 	10 Stevens Co. YQCA	11 Stevens Co. Rabbits	12 Haskell Co. Cloverbuds	13 Stevens Co. Cloverbuds	14 15
16 Stevens Co. 12-14 Foods	17 Stevens Co. 4-H Council Jr. Leadership	18	19 Haskell Co. Rabbit Meeting	20 Stevens Co. Small Animal Weigh-In	21	22 Haskell Co. Small Animal Weigh-In Stevens Co. Small Animal Weigh-In
23	24	25	26 Seward Co. Cloverbuds	27 Stevens Co. Swine Meeting	28	29
30	April					

NOTICES!

NEW DISTRICT WIDE RULE TO SELL YOUR ANIMALS

To be considered a 4-Her in good standing and be able to sell at your county fair's livestock sale, a 4-Her must attend over half of their club's regular meetings, from October thru July. This includes any and all 4-H clubs in the Wild West Extension District.



HORSE PROJECT CHANGES

If you are enrolled in the Horse project please use the following link to review the updated rules.

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/General%20Wild%20West%20District.html>

HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN FLU INFORMATION

There is new information available about this flu strain that affects both domestic & wild breeds.



<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/Livestock.html>



SEWARD COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHANGES

There have been some slight changes to the senior scholarship application. The new application can be found at:

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html>



BEEF WEIGH-IN DATES

Stevens County Fairgrounds

- March 4th from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

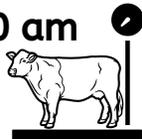
Haskell County Fairgrounds

- March 25th from 9:00 - 11:00 am

Seward County Fairgrounds

- April 1st from 4:00 - 5:00 pm

**Breeding Animals may be weighed if desired*



SMALL ANIMAL WEIGH-IN DATES

BUCKET CALF, GOAT, SHEEP & PIGS!!

Stevens County Fairgrounds

- April 20th from 4:00 - 8:00 pm
- April 22nd from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Haskell County Fairgrounds

- April 22nd from 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Seward County Fairgrounds

- May 2nd from 5:00 - 6:00 pm



EID TAG INFORMATION!

Haskell County-\$5 for each EID tag will be collected at weigh in. No charge for regular tags

Seward County-\$5 for each EID tag will be collected at weigh in. No charge for regular tags

Stevens County-The Extension Office will invoice youth/families for livestock tags later

CLOVERBUDS



HASKELL: Our next meeting is on **March 8th** at **4:00 pm** at the **Extension Office**.

We will be meeting on the *second Wednesday of the month* from 4:00 - 4:45 pm.

SEWARD: We will meet at the Extension Office on **March 22nd** at **4:00 pm**.

We meet on the *fourth Wednesday of the month* from 4:00 - 4:45 pm.

STEVENS: We will meet at **4:00 pm** in the **Extension Office** on the following dates;
March 7th, April 13th & May 2nd.

YQCA TRAINING

All livestock exhibitors with intentions to participate in the county fair must complete their YQCA certification. This applies to all market and breeding animals.

Also, those that show livestock at the Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must have completed the certification to be eligible to show. To register for the training go to www.yqcaprogram.org Log in or create an account. Scroll down and choose instructor-led training certification, if you want to attend our in-person training. There is a **\$3 registration fee**. You can do the certification training online for a \$12 fee.

YQCA Training will be held on the following dates & locations

- March 2nd at 5:00 pm at the Haskell County Fairgrounds
- April 10th at 6:00 pm at the Stevens County Extension Office



LIVESTOCK JUDGING

March 2nd at 6:30 pm

Livestock Judging Meeting at Haskell Fairgrounds

March 25th

Super Saturday Judging Event-Colby

March 29th

SW District Livestock Judging Invitational-Dodge City

April 12th

BlueJay Invitational Livestock Judging Contest-Ashland

April 21st

SCCC Livestock Judging Contest-Liberal

HASKELL COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

Practices will be held on

March 7th & 21st

5:30 pm - 1st flight

7:00 pm - 2nd flight



STEVENS COUNTY 12-14 YR OLD FOODS MEETING

Meetings will be held in the 4-H Building the following Sundays at 12:30 pm

March 26th

April 16th

Please bring \$5 to each meeting

RSVP to Erin Gerrond at (806)268-4048



STEVENS COUNTY RABBITS

We will be meeting at 6:30 pm in the 4-H Building on the following days:

March 7th, April 11th, May 9th & July 11th



HASKELL COUNTY RABBIT PROJECT MEETINGS

We will be meeting at the Haskell Township Library meeting room on the following dates:

March 22, 2023 - 7:00 pm

April 19, 2023 - 7:00 pm

May 18, 2023 - 7:00 pm.

June 15, 2023 - 5:00 pm

**making signs for fair

July 20, 2023 TBA

**finishing signs for fair if needed



HASKELL COUNTY HORSE PROJECT MEETING

We will be meeting at the Haskell County Fairgrounds on March 13th at 2:00 pm for a Clinic/Ride Meeting.

SEWARD COUNTY RADA FUNDRAISER

We will be having a RADA fundraiser until March 31st. Contact a 4-H Member or call (620)624-5604 to place an order!



HASKELL COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING



We will be meeting at the Haskell County Extension Office on March 13th at 7:00 pm.

STATE FAIR NOMINATION DEADLINES

Market Beef (Steers & Heifers) May 1st

Swine, Sheep, Goat & Commercial Heifers June 15th

Kansas State Fair September 8-17

Kansas Jr. Livestock Show Sept. 29- Oct. 1

STEVENS COUNTY T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

The theme for the 2023 fair is....
Fiesta at the Stevens County Fair!

The deadline extended to March 20th.

All 4-H'ers in the county will receive a free shirt to wear during the fair. We will be having a competition to choose our t-shirt design.

The winner will not only see their design come to life but they will get a \$25 gift card!



STEVENS COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Stevens County 4-H Council will donate a 4-H Calendar to every family in the county for the 2023-2024 4-H year. **We will be having a competition to choose the photos that will be featured in the calendar.**

So start snapping photos now to have photos of all seasons! This is open to all Stevens County 4-H'ers. Top photos will be selected from a panel of impartial judges. **Deadline for photos is August 4th, 2023.**



STEVENS COUNTY 4-H BUILDING DISPLAY

Clubs are in charge of the display in the 4-H building for their assigned two months. Clubs might want to consider making this a committee.

March/April - Heartland
May/June - Wranglers
July/August - 4-H Council
September/October - Extension Office



RECORD BOOKS... IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO GET STARTED!

- **Set your project goals now** so you have a game plan for the rest of the 4-H year. Look for some good resources on our website under 4-H Youth Development; click on record keeping.
- You can also find more information on the **State 4-H website under Awards and Recognition**; click on **local record keeping and project forms**.
- Starting now will help a lot during the busy summer when you are preparing for the fair. **If you have questions ask any of our agents for help.**
- **Also, if you are working on an achievement pin, check the requirements now to see what is needed while you still have opportunities to meet them.**

INSECT ART CONTEST

Explore why real-life insects can be considered superheroes. Selected artwork will be used to create educational items. Artists that have art selected will receive a certificate and a prize to recognize their achievements. We will select a winner from each of the outlined categories and one overall winner will be selected from those entries.

- Only one artwork per student/adult per category with a completed entry form.
- Entries must be an original work by the entrant (no traced or copyright-protected images) with a label attached on the back lower right corner.
- Individual drawings and paintings must not be larger than "8.5 x 11". Original entries will not be returned, but if you want to keep the original then a jpeg or pdf of the image can be submitted. Just make sure that the image is clear.
- Entries must feature an insect as the central point of focus that fits into the theme
- **Entries should be postmarked by April 14, 2023.**

*See attached flyer

*For complete Art Contest Rules visit. <https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/pesticides-ipm/>

Mail entries to:

Frannie Miller
Pesticide Safety and IPM Program
600 West Woodside
McPherson, KS 67460

**Enter
to Win**



CAMP LAKESIDE -SCOTT CITY

Date: June 14 -15, 2023

4-H Age Requirements: 7 to 10 years old

Registration Deadline: May 1st

Cost for attending: \$ 100 (payment is due to your local Extension Office)

Each County is guaranteed 10 4-H'ers to attend. Be sure to register early or you will be put on a waitlist!

INSECT SPECTACULAR

2023 Insect Spectacular will be held on June 16-17, 2023 in Manhattan.

Classes will include basic pinning, basic and advanced identification, insect photography, and much more. A parent or legal guardian must attend with their 4-H'er.

**More information to come*

REGIONAL CLUB DAY RESULTS

Model Meeting - Cloverleaf Cowboys: Blue
Public Speaking - Tobias Grubbs: Top Blue
Illustrated Talk - Madison Niehues: Top Blue
Illustrated Talk - Grant Niehues: Blue
Illustrated Talk - Morgan Niehues: Blue
Illustrated Talk - Faith Beesley: Top Blue
Illustrated Talk - Kendra Hermreck: Top Blue
Illustrated Talk - Zane Hermreck: Top Blue
Dance - Alivia Grubbs & Kendra Hermreck: Blue
Piano - Jaycee Heger: Top Blue
Vocal - Alivia Grubbs: Top Blue

Reading - Morgan Niehues: Blue
Reading - Alivia Grubbs: Top Blue
Reading - Madison Niehues: Blue
Reading - Quinnlee Salmans: Top Blue
Reading - Lakota Persing: Top Blue
Reading - Olivia Salmans: Top Blue
Reading - Clayton Grubbs: Blue
Piano - Kendall Harper: Top Blue
Piano - Tobias Grubbs: Top Blue
Piano - Morgan Niehues: Blue
Piano - Madison Niehues: Top Blue

STEVENS COUNTY JUDGING KITS

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE COUNTY CLUB DAYS JUDGING KITS!!

Seniors: FACS

1st: Jayden Burrows
2nd: Tobias Grubbs
3rd: Claudia Clark
Clayton Grubbs
Lindy McClure
Kendra Hermreck
Cameron Persing
Josh Burrows
Ella Beesley
Carter McClure
Grant Niehues
Faith Beesley

Seniors

1st: Tobias Grubbs
2nd: Jewels Noland
3rd: Faith Beesley
Josh Burrows
Ella Beesley
Elisha Stagers
Olivia Salmans
Claudia Clark
Lindy McClure
Kendra Hermreck
Clayton Grubbs
Grant Niehues
Cameron Persing

Intermediate: FACS

1st: Kathryn Brown
2nd: Jaycee Burrows
3rd: Natalia Moran
Zane Hermreck
Alivia Grubbs
Madison Niehues
Bailey Gerrond
Kyle Lamatsch
Morgan Niehues
Raymond Lamatsch
Dusti Harris
Quintin Martin
Blake Salmans

Intermediate

1st: Natalia Moran
2nd: Kathryn Brown
3rd: Madison Niehues
Blake Salmans
Jaycee Burrows
Alivia Grubbs
Bailey Gerrond
Dusti Harris

CROPS JUDGING

1st: Kendra Hermreck
2nd: Alivia Grubbs
3rd: Clayton Grubbs
Jayden Burrows
Raymond Lamatsch
Tobias Grubbs
Bailey Gerrond
Ben Martin
Zane Hermreck
Lindy McClure
Cody Gerrond
Kyle Lamatsch
Natalia Moran
Quintin Martin
Carter McClure
Grant Niehues
Kathryn Brown
Morgan Niehues
Dusti Harris
Madison Niehues

Juniors: FACS

1st: Ben Martin
2nd: Jack Sullivan
3rd: Elodie Sullivan
Jaelyn Miramontes
Quinnlee Salmans
Kendall Harper

Juniors

1st: Quinnlee Salmans
2nd: Jack Sullivan
3rd: Elodie Sullivan
Jaelyn Miramontes

HIPPOLOGY

Cody Gerrond
Bailey Gerrond
Conlee Eisenhour
Cade Eisenhour
Kendra Hermreck
Dusti Harris
Kendall Harper
Jaelyn Miramontes
Quinnlee Salmans
Tobias Grubbs
Blake Salmans
Clayton Grubbs
Kathryn Brown
Jaycee Burrows
Lakota Persing
Ella Beesley
Cameron Persing
Claudia Clark
Jayden Burrows
Faith Beesley
Carter McClure
Josh Burrows
Lindy McClure
Alivia Grubbs
Olivia Salmans
Grant Niehues
Madison Niehues

PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

Sunday, March 19th
1:00-4:00 pm
Lee Richardson Zoo
Ages 12-17
Fee: \$40 per individual
Bring your camera & memory card!!

KANSAS YOUTH LIVESTOCK

Check out the Animal Science Youth page at <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/>

*Feel free to follow them on Twitter & Facebook to get the latest updates for Kansas Youth Livestock.

PROJECT MEETINGS....

More project meetings will be scheduled, so make sure you are signed up for your desired projects. The last day to add/drop is May 1st, but you'll miss organized meetings & reminders if you wait too long!



“Extraordinary things are always hiding in places people never think to look.”

Jodi Picouf

LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHEDULE

DATE	SHOW	LOCATION	SPECIES
3/11	Ring Of Success Beef Show	Calhan, Co	Beef
3/11	Reno & Rice County Spring Show	Lyons, Ks	Beef
3/25	Harvey County 4-H Spring Beef Show	Newton, Ks	Beef
4/1	Beef Blow N Go	Calhan, Co	Beef
4/1	Show Down Youth Goat Expo	Liberal, Ks	Goat
4/2	Show Down Youth Sheep Expo	Liberal, Ks	Sheep
4/14,15	Fastest Gun in Town	Harper, Ks	Sheep & Goat
4/15	Cowley County Classic	Winfield, Ks	Beef
4/22	The Inaugural Battle on the Chikaskia	Harper, Ks	Beef
4/22,23	Thomas County Livestock Expo	Colby, Ks	All
4/28,29	Grant County Spring Livestock Show	Ulysses, Ks	All
4/29	Coffee County Spring Shows	Burlington, Ks	All
4/29	Walnut River Showdown	El Dorado, Ks	Beef
4/29,30	SC Showdown	Scott City, Ks	All
4/29, 30	Showing for a Cause	WaKeeney, Ks	All
4/29, 30	Sedgwick County Livestock Show	Cheney, Ks	All
4/30	Flint Hills Classic Spring Livestock Show	Eureka, Ks	All
5/5	Friday Night Lights Cattle Show	Ulysses, Ks	Beef
5/6	McPherson County Spring Beef Show	Canton, Ks	Beef
5/6	Cowley County Sheep & Meat Goat Show	Winfield, Ks	Sheep & Goat
5/6	Russell County Kick-Off Classic	Russell, Ks	All
5/6	Gas Capital Livestock Show	Hugoton, Ks	All
5/6,7	40th Annual Loyalty Day Spring Livestock Show	Tribune, Ks	All
5/6,7	Barber County Spring Livestock Show	Hardtner, Ks	All
5/7	Beauty & the Beast Spring Beef Show	Canton, Ks	Beef
5/7	Haskell County Spring Livestock Show	Sublette, Ks	All
5/7	Ellis County Spring Show	Hays, Ks	All
5/13	Butler County Black Gold Spring Show	El Dorado, Ks	Sheep, Goat, Swine
5/13	CCC Classic Spring Livestock Show	Colby, Ks	All
5/14	Ring Of Success Lamb & Goat	Calhan, Co	Sheep & Goat
5/20	Rooks County Spring Show	Stockton, Ks	All
5/20	Morton County Spring Show	Elkhart, Ks	All
5/21	Get Your Shine On Spring Show	Hill City, Ks	All
5/21	Back in Black Lane County Spring Show	Dighton, Ks	All
5/26, 27	Great Plains Spring Livestock Show	Larned, Ks	All
5/27	Smith Center Spring Show	Smith Center, Ks	All
5/27,28	Crooked Creek Classic	Meade, Ks	All
5/28,29	Outlaw Blowout & Bull Ring Roundup	La Crosse, Ks	Beef, Sheep & Goat
6/3	Showdown in Mac Town	McPherson, Ks	Sheep, Goat, Swine
6/3,4	Gavin B Kleyman Memorial Livestock Show	Tribune, Ks	All
6/3,4	Stanton County Livestock Show	Johnson, Ks	All
6/3,4	Sunflower Livestock Showdown	Garden City, Ks	All
6/17	People Pleasers Charity Livestock Show	Lakin, Ks	All

INSECT SUPERHEROES ART COMPETITION

Entries due April 14, 2023



ART CATEGORIES:

- Illustrates a real life insect superhero
- Illustrates a fictional insect superhero
- 3-D (pottery, stained glass, or other media)



AGE CATEGORIES:

- Kindergarten-2nd
- 3rd-5th
- 6th-8th
- High School
- Adult

For Official Rules, visit:

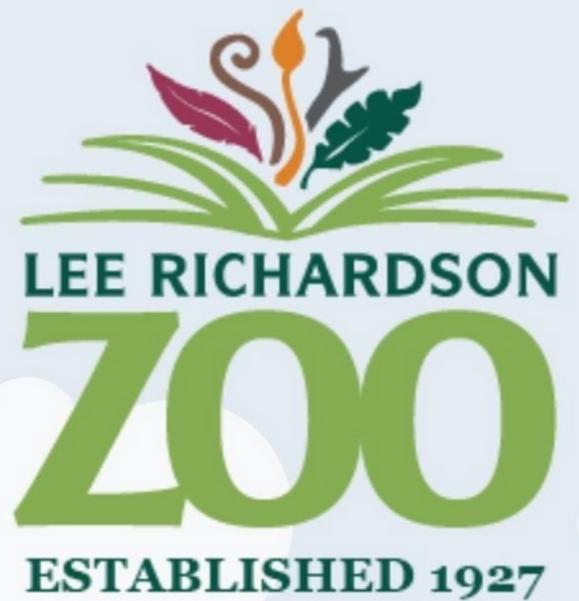
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BEGINNER'S PHOTO GRAPHY WORKSHOP

Sunday, March 19th, 2023

1:00 to 4:00 PM

Ages 12 through 17



Learn how to photograph animals in a Zoo setting!
For all beginner photographers aged 12 to 17.
Phone, DSLR, and Point & Shoot cameras are all welcome.
Please bring your own memory card. Snacks provided!

FEE: \$40 PER INDIVIDUAL - \$30 FOR FOLRZ MEMBERS



For More Info or to Register:
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